U.S. Virgin Islands Coastal Nonpoint Pollution Control Program

Meeting NOAA/EPA Conditions



- * Two-Tier system for development
- ** Originally each tier had separate & distinct forms and procedures
- Currently both tiers use same forms and are integrating procedures

Original System

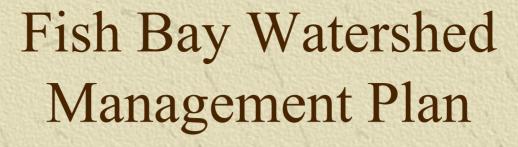
- ★ Tier 1 Coastal Zone Management
- ** Four types of permits
- ★ Tier 2 Earth Change Law Building Permits
- ****** One Earth Change Permit



- ★ Tier 1 CZM will continue to use four original permits
- ★ Tier 2 Building Permits will use same land permit applications as CZM
- ** Uniform procedures for application review

Watershed Protection & Site Development

- ** Committee of local experts to review plans
- * Model Watershed Management Plan



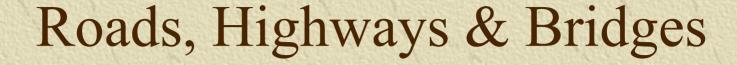
- Public Input & Collaboration/Work with local watershed organizations
- Watershed group/neighborhood group implements plan
- * V.I. Government provides expertise & assistance
- Review and revision every 5 years



- Researched alternative methods of waste control
- * Developed & enacted rules and regulations



- **#** Give alternatives to traditional system
- ** Alternative choices based on scientific data (percolation tests/soil profiles)
- ** Provides for inspections, proof of maintenance, retro-fitting, newly developed systems
- * Provides for fines, revocation of permits



- ** All road repair & maintenance in Tier 1 requires approval of CZM Commissioner or Commission
- MOA with Dept. of Public Works

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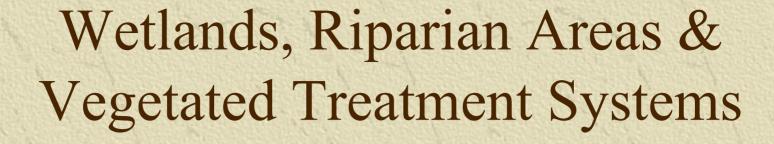
** DPW required to implement management measures and practices as identified in Blue Book for all road & bridge repair & maintenance projects



- **CZM** program contracting for an inventory of all existing channels
- ** Same contractor will develop a "Clean Channel Program" to be based on stateside "Clean Highway Program"
- ** Inventory will be used with watershed management plans to develop & implement pilot projects



- * Are identifying schools, churches, organizations to participate in program
- * Are developing program: participant tracking, certificates of participation, reports
- * Will coordinate with other V.I. Gov. agencies for assistance to implement procedures to improve maintenance of channels



- ** Coordinated with sister agencies to develop a prioritized list of wetlands & riparian areas to be restored or enhanced
- ** Larger areas inventoried and prioritized
- ** Are selecting a contractor to inventory the smaller wetlands & riparian areas in the territory



- ** Partnered with Univ. of the V.I. to develop a monitoring program & train CZM personnel
- * Water Quality Monitoring Manual Produced
- ***** Equipment purchased
- * Program is used to monitor major development projects and pilot projects developed by CZM